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### Seek Larger Breeds of Poultry is Word

"It would surprise many of the readers of the Alma Record," said H. C. McCracken, local manager of Swift & Company, "to know how widespread the demand is for the larger breeds of poultry, which can be most economically used on the table."

"Producers make a big mistake in devoting their time and attention to the production of small types, such as Italian breeds, as the chief demand today is for the all-purpose bird, and the larger breeds, such as: Barred and Plymouth Rocks, Rhode Island Reds, Wyandottes, Orpingtons, which command a higher price, either alive or dressed, and when properly housed and fed, will give a good account of themselves in the production of eggs."

Mr. McCracken continued, "While lower prices have generally prevailed on the smaller breeds of poultry, it is expected that the difference will be more marked this year, and now that the hatching season is near at hand I suggest that producers carefully consider the requirements of the trade, from both a poultry and egg stand point, and devote their attention to the larger breeds."

### KALAMAZOO AND ALBION WINS IN STATE CONTEST

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tion depends not only upon the individual, but upon the individuality of nations. We live in an outgrowth of the past, so standing on the fundamentals of the past, we should take interest in the present.

Miss Maxine McBride, of Hope, spoke on "Backgrounds." She cited various backgrounds of life, and pointed out the master workers of the ages. In the world war, the master worker was the man of the trenches, for he gave his life for the principle of democracy and brotherhood. Love and service are the only true standards of life, and this should form the setting for our life.

"The Challenge of the Twentieth Century" was the oration given by Miss Florence Larson of Michigan State Normal. This took up the theme of service. It is man's mission in life to serve God and Humanity. Nations should have the same attitude, for they are no longer isolated, they are parts of a whole. There are two types of man, one of service, and one of gain. Service can be instilled in the hearts of the young, through the educational systems of the country. With concerted service, America may assume the role of Good Samaritan to the world.

Miss Alice Baldwin, of Adrian, spoke on "Common Consciousness and the Individual." Common consciousness is the natural outgrowth of group life. Great movements have been the result of a group mind. The great growth of group action does not lessen the responsibility of the individual, for the individual influences group thought, and the average mentality of the group will be lowered if the individual will not pay attention to the problems of the day. The progress of the future depends upon our visions today, for where there is no vision, the people perish.

Not only the winners, but all the contestants are to be congratulated on their fine showing, for all made strong bids for honors.

Only seven orations were given in the men's contest, Harry Lynch of Michigan State Normal being first. In this contest Hope College won second honors and Kalamazoo College, third. The program was opened by a selection from "The Rose Maiden," well given by the Alma College Chorus, under the direction of Prof. Beausang. The chorus showed the results of intensive practice on the part of the students and the painstaking efforts which characterize the excellent work of Prof. Beausang.

Mr. Harry Laity of Albion College presented a finely-constructed oration, "Our Debt of Honor," in such an effective manner that the judges decided that he should be awarded first place. And well did he deserve it! His oration covered a subject which is vital to the mind of every fair-minded American citizen—the problem of the World War veteran. Mr. Laity brought out that the tragic condition of our returned soldiers is caused by our lack of regard for our national debt of honor. The real tape of the three organizations which took the matter in hand was in a measure straightened out by the establishment of the Veterans' Bureau. However, laxity in duty is undermining the new system, as it did the old and the force of public opinion must be substituted for the power of competition if the Veterans' Bu-

reau is to be a success. The returned men who thought themselves safe from the destructive elements of the war find that they are easy victims to the ravages of disease. Government action is slow and as a result many have paid the price. In many states, the situation has become so drastic that the veterans themselves have undertaken the task of caring for their former "buddies." Europe has put her injured service men on their feet; our country has made investigation after investigation while the veteran suffers from neglect. There are two remedies, namely: a pension system; a vocational system. In the past, it has been shown that pensions cause idleness, so it remains for us to consider the establishment of vocational education.

The people must be awakened to the situation immediately because thousands are failing in health every month while the government makes no, or little, effort to cure them. Mr. Laity concluded by stating that shameful neglect has marked our attitude toward our ex-service men and the war will not be over for us until we discharge our duty—our Debt of Honor—to our service men.

Mr. Winfield Burgraff, the representative from Hope, won second place with his oration, "The Nation's Heritage." Mr. Burgraff pointed out that the forces of materialism have undermined the empire of history and razed them to the ground. A nation's vision fades and it loses its soul as selfishness finds a place in its heart. The personality of a nation is greater than gold or silver and the economic problems and lust for power cause nations to shiver and die. Our country's present disorder is not the throbbing of the nation's heart; our heart beats in harmony with the soul of mankind.

Mr. Burgraff argued further that there must be a return to the Puritan's hope. The old and the new must give place to the true and our national life will fade if we lose God. A national rebuilding of religious thought is necessary for our future. The Church, home, and school are the only assurances of the future integrity of our country. Our national life must be dedicated to the service of the world.

Mr. William Schrier, of Kalamazoo College, drew third place with his oration, "Our Next Step." His opening words brought to our minds the picture of the war veteran who has just died from the slow but deadly effects of poison gas. The horrors of war were vividly placed before us. We, as a nation, have prospered and progressed rapidly but we have one idea which "marks time." We cannot seem to escape the conviction that wars must exist. We must get rid of this philosophy; we must see that war belongs to yesterday. The power of public opinion must enact the passing of wars. Every stage in our country's progress shows the mark of public opinion; every evil bears the stamp of its indictment. International differences can and must be settled by the acting of a fraternal spirit on the part of the nations involved. Public opinion is crystallized public sentiment and the individual must do his part and contribute his individual idea so that the sacrifices of the World War shall not have been in vain.

Mr. Frank Vreeland, of Alma College, spoke on "The Equality of Love." His forceful delivery made a finely-constructed speech very effective. Mr. Vreeland's message showed that the equality of love is the only remedy for the torn and shattered world of today, and is the only means of settling the questions which confront the nations. The evils of the race cannot be avoided until we get to their cause and have an equality of love. The true equality can only be brought about by Christianity. America has shown somewhat of this spirit when food was sent to the starving hordes of the devastated countries.

Mr. Clifford French, who represented Hillsdale College, gave a very fine oration entitled "The Guarding of the Melting Pot." His message showed the audience that although we have a free country, as far as immigration is concerned, we must look out for ourselves in some measure. In the past we have created good citizens out of the alien material but today the problem is becoming too great. The tide of humanity now coming across is endangering the established liberty for which our forefathers struggled and died. The old policy of giving farm lands to the incoming hordes brought a good class of people to our shores but those coming today are of the lower classes who only congest our tenement districts. They cannot be assimilated. We have found it necessary to pass

### SUNSHINE KIDDIES



Coming to the Strand

Coming to the Strand Theater

Mr. Miller, manager of the Strand Theater, announces that for next Sunday, Monday and Tuesday he has secured a rare treat for his friends and patrons, together with the usual excellent program of pictures—The Sunshine Kiddies of Melody Lane, America's cleverest juvenile entertainers.

Twelve very bright children who range from four to thirteen years of age give thirty minutes entertainment unsurpassed by any, including singing, dancing and novelties. You will be delighted with 7-year old Sunshine Snooks and 5-year old Baby Rita when they sing "Yoo Hoo" and "Ma."

Eighteen people are necessary to carry and put on this unusual entertainment; the twelve children, three maids, manager, musical director and tutor. Oh, yes, they have a regular school on the stage every morning at eleven o'clock, and carry their own

lives to protect our industries; why not do the same to protect our people?

An excellent oration, "America's Alternative," was presented by Mr. Ralph Krout, of Adrian College. The speaker brought out that in spite of the fact that three years have passed since the end of the great conflict, jealousy and hatred are still undercurrent in the world today. America stands with a choice of two roads before her. Either we can take the road of preparedness, which inevitably ends in war, or we can choose the unblazed trail which will end in universal peace. Ruthlessness and the effects of war threaten to undermine civilization because the instinct of war is in the human race. The mad race of armament has been halted by a new outlook of the world. Preparedness cannot insure peace; if a nation prepares for war, the war will come. Shall we ignore the sacrifice of our men; shall we stand by and see them trampled in the mire of another world conflict. The keynote to peace is harmony; disarmament must be world-wide to insure permanent peace. A change is coming to the history of humanity. We must choose one of two ways: the path of suspicion and distrust, or the path of world fellowship.

A very appropriate subject was discussed in the oration of Mr. Louis Le Mieux, of Olivet College, entitled "A Challenge to Modern Education." He told us that the modern educators must take it upon themselves to solve the world problems. But as long as the cause exists there will be wars. Mr. Mieux showed that there were four conditions which cause wars:

1. Lack of mutual and sincere love.
2. Contempt of authority.
3. Imposition of nations.
4. Lust of material welfare.

High thinking and right living alone can bring real riches and happiness. High ideals in education will lessen the chances of war. Man craves the truth; why not encourage it in the children. Material facts must be considered but why not consider a cultural education so that the unseen truth of the world may be made clear and real happiness may be found.

The program of orations was appropriately broken by selections of

teacher with them, who, by the way, happens to be a young lady from our neighboring town of Ithaca.

No one need fear that they are going to see a lot of amateurs do a childish act. Every member of this company is professional in every sense of the word. Quite a number of Alma people have seen the act in Lansing, Grand Rapids or Detroit, and are invariably enthusiastic in their praises. The Strand is paying the highest price for this offering of any ever paid in this town, \$300.00 for three days. It is to be hoped that everyone interested in seeing the really good things of life will not let this opportunity slip by.

In order that all the school children in town may have an opportunity to enjoy this delightful performance, a special matinee has been arranged for on Monday afternoon. It will begin at 2:30 with pictures, and the kiddies will appear at 4 o'clock, so that the children will have time to get to the theater after school is out.

music given by Prof. Beausang and Miss Roberts, both of Alma College. Miss Roberts played "Triumphal March" by Dudley Buck in a very effective manner which delighted the audience. Prof. Beausang sang "Pleading" by Elgar, in his own characteristic manner which never fails to please.

On the whole, it was a very successful contest. The winners are to be congratulated because it was a mark of no small talent to win a place with such a fine field of orators present. Alma has been glad to have everyone here and we hope, and feel sure, that everyone enjoyed himself and went home feeling that the contest was a complete success and that Alma is a pretty fine school.

### LEGIONNAIRES TO CONTROL CENSUS

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soldier in the community. The bill offers the soldier his option of the five following divisions for compensation: (1) Adjusted pay for the term of service put in; (2) a paid-up 20-year insurance policy; (3) expenses paid for a course in vocational training; (4) a loan for the purchase of a farm or home; (5) application of a man's adjusted pay on the purchase of government improved land.

The adjusted pay is to be set at the rate of \$1.00 a day for home service and \$1.25 a day for service overseas. The face value of the life insurance policy offered is to be 3.38 times the amount that would be received by the same man as adjusted pay. His vocational training aid or farm or home loan would be 140 per cent of what he would receive in cash.

All back claims against the government are likewise to be centered in the Legion census. If a man did not get his \$60 bonus on discharge he is requested to make it known. If the government owes him back pay, travel pay, if his allotments or Liberty bonds have gone astray, if he has never received his Victory medal, he is to enter his complaint on the Legion questionnaire.

Extremely smart Capes and Wraps are being shown at Robinson's, and the price ridiculously reasonable, from \$11.50 up. D. W. Robinson, Alma.—advertisement.

### WHY SUFFER SO?

Why suffer from a bad back, from sharp, shooting twinges, headaches, dizziness and distressing urinary ills? Alma people recommend Doan's Kidney Pills. Ask your neighbor! Could you ask for stronger proof of merit.

Mrs. Adeline Carmer, 918 Pine ave., Alma, says: "Some years ago my back and kidneys started to trouble me. Sharp pains darted up and down the length of my back, making it hard for me to do my work. It was difficult for me to stoop or lift and at night I didn't dare to move or turn. Morning's I was so blinded with black specks I couldn't see to go on with my work and I often had to grasp hold of something for support. My kidneys acted irregularly and my life was miserable until I saw in the paper how Doan's Kidney Pills had been used by many folks, so I bought a few boxes at the Look-Paterson Drug Co., and they cured me wonderfully."

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## Help One Another Campaign

Until March 15th, all discarded shoes received at the SHOE-N-HAT SHOP will be repaired, rebuilt and turned over to the Alma Welfare Association for the poor FREE OF CHARGE.

We have been doing a great deal of repairing FREE for the poor during the winter and the demand is great.

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You donate your discarded shoes. We will fix them FREE for the Welfare Association. Also give us your business in our line, it will enable us to do more charity work.

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THE WELFARE ASSOCIATION TO  
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